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20 September 1982

NOTE FOR: Acting Director of Central Intelligence

FROM:

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Director, Intelligence Community Staff

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SUBJECT: Technology Transfer Through Trade Fairs/Conference  
Participation

1. You asked that I review the attached correspondence with a view toward how the Intelligence Community might do better in assessing potential technology transfer loss at international exhibits and conferences such as [REDACTED]

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2. If you decide such assessments should be conducted by the Intelligence Community, you already have the mechanism in the Technology Transfer Committee. Before such assessments are conducted by the Intelligence Community, I believe it necessary for you and the DCI to determine how they would be used. Since we are talking about unclassified technology that is exportable in accordance with existing export control laws, I question whether the Intelligence Community has a role to play. While I share the concern that we should protect sensitive U.S. technology, I believe we must use caution so as not to interfere with the legitimate right of U.S. industry to carry on commercial trade in foreign markets.

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The Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

Washington, D.C. 20505

4 August 1982

NOTE FOR: D/ICS

The DDCI would like you to follow up on the attached, suggesting how we might do better in assessing potential technology transfer loss at future such exhibits and conferences.

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Attachment:

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